

Mary Perry and John Perry,
Executors of Capt. Benj.
Perry, deceased, and others,
Appellants.

Edward Riley, Esq; and others,
Respondents.

The Respondent Riley's CASE.

1683.

THE Respondent, *Hugh Mervin*, having in the Year 1683, Mortgaged several Lands in *Ireland* to *Mr. Rolls* for a considerable Sum of Money, and *Dorothy Rolls* his Executrix having obtained a Decree to foreclose the said *Mervin*, the Respondent, at the said *Mervin's* desire, promised to pay off *Mrs. Rolls*, and to advance a farther Sum, if his Council approved of the Title.

And the Title appearing to be that *Sir Audley Mervin*, the said *Hugh's* Father, had pass'd two several Certificates, and Letters Patents of the Mortgaged Estate in pursuance of the Act of Settlement and Explanation, without any saving to any Person whatsoever. And the Respondent's Council advising the same to be an unquestionable Title, he did pay off *Mrs. Rolls*, and lent *Mr. Mervin* so much as made the Debt 3100 *l.* and thereupon had the Estate made over to him, and *Mr. Mervin* had 2 Years time for paying the Money.

1702.

That *Mr. Mervin* taking no care to pay either Principle or Interest, whereby the Security became scant, and the Respondent (then discovering that he had a Title under his Mortgage to some Lands in the possession of the Appellants, or some of them, of 70 *l. per Ann.* upon his paying 6 Years purchase for the same) did, in Anno 1702, Exhibit his Bill in her Majesty's Court of Exchequer in *Ireland* against *Mr. Mervin*, to foreclose him, and against the Appellants, for to Assign the said Lands to him upon his paying them the said six Years Purchase.

1703.

And thereupon in 1703, the Appellants Exhibited their Bill in Chancery in *Ireland* against the Respondents: Setting forth, that part of the Lands so Mortgaged to the Respondent *Riley*, were conveyed to the said *Sir Audley Mervin* by such Letters Patents in Trust for one Captain *Benjamin Perry* (under whom the Appellants Claim) and long Proceedings formerly in Chancery relating thereto, and therefore to have the said Lands assigned to them, and to have an Account of the meane Profits thereof from 1667, was the end of that Bill.

To which *Mr. Mervin* answered, and denied any Trust for *Capt. Perry*, and also insisted on such other Matters relating thereto.

The Respondent *Riley*, in his Answer, insisted on his being a Mortgagee for 3100 *l.* and denied that he had any Notice of the Appellant, or the said *Capt. Perry's* Pretences to the said Retrench'd Lands before he laid out his Money on the same, and had the Mortgaged Estate assigned to him.

The Cause came to be Heard in November and December 1704, by the Lord Chancellor of *Ireland*, assisted by two of the Chief Justices, and the Appellants Council then offering nothing against the Respondent, but against *Mr. Mervin*, the Court declared that the Appellants had no Right to the Retrench'd Lands, and that there was no Trust in *Capt. Perry's* favour.

12 Decemb.

1705.

But the Appellants afterwards did, by Petition, bring on the Cause against the Respondent *Riley*, foreseeing that they could not properly Appeal (as is supposed, without bringing him on) and at such Hearing (the Appellant's Council not objecting anything against the Respondent's Title) the Court (on the Respondents proving his Deeds of Mortgage, the Assignment of the Decree of fore-closure, and no saving in the Certificates and Letters Patents for the said *Capt. Perry*, dismissed the Appellant's Bill, as to the Respondent *Riley*, in relation to the Retrench'd Lands.

Which he hopes, shall be affirmed, for that he Lent his Money without Notice of any Trust either exprest or implied, and under the Sanction of the said Decree of Fore-closure, which was a Judicial Transaction in a Cause that was many Years depending in the Chancery, and the Appellants all the while making no Pretence to the Retrench'd Lands; And a Court of Equity does never assist to defeat any Mortgagee's Title. And for the pretended Notice, the Appellants insist on, is only a Proceeding in a Cause formerly depending in Chancery, which, they say, all Men are bound to take Notice of, and on which there has not been any Proceedings for near these 30 Years past, against which Trust the Court has also Decreed.

And therefore he hopes the Appeal shall be dismissed with Costs.

Ri. Turner.